HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 435 By Overbey

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Karen Marie Huskey, 2005 Salutatorian of William Blount High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Karen Marie Huskey is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class at William Blount High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Karen Huskey has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Karen Huskey has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to earning her the position of Salutatorian, Ms. Huskey's academic ability enabled her to earn a stellar score of thirty-four on her ACT, remain on the 'A' Honor Roll through four years of high school, and letter in Mathematics, Science, Language Arts, and Social Studies; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, Karen was selected to attend the Governor's School for the Humanities in 2003, was recognized as William Blount's Best, was named a William Blount Scholar, garnered recognition in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, earned placement on the National Honor Roll, and won first place in the Roane State Academic Festival Eighty-Word Dash; and

WHEREAS, she has also been involved with many scholastic clubs and organizations, including the Beta Club, the Spanish Honors Society, Mu Alpha Theta, the Key Club, and the William Blount Cadence Showchoir; and

WHEREAS, a leader among her peers, Ms. Huskey served as the Literary/Arts

Magazine Editor-in-Chief and as a Senior Advisory Committee member; and

WHEREAS, Karen has dedicated much of her time to the community as a Peer Teacher in the subjects of Science, Mathematics, and English, as a Library Assistant, and as a Baptist Center Volunteer; and

WHEREAS, Karen Huskey is a member of Friendship Baptist Church, which she faithfully serves as a Sunday School teacher for grades 1-3, as a Youth Song Leader, and as a member of the church league Volleyball team; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Huskey's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Karen's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Karen Huskey's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2005 William Blount High School Salutatorian, Karen Marie Huskey, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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